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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yasuko OZAKI and Yasuo KOISHIHARA  
Title: IMMUNOCHEMICAL ASSAY FOR ANTI-HM1.24 ANTIBODY  
Appl. No.: 09/622,646  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Box NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed August 23, 2002, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-9). This election of claims is made without prejudice to Applicants' right to pursue the non-elected claims in one or more divisional applications in due course.

It is not believed that any fees or an extension of time are necessary to make this amendment timely filed. However, if an extension of time and required fee are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then an extension of time is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fee required is hereby authorized to be charged to account number 19-0741.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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